

REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 14 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Hopkins et al. (US 5,345,347). Claims 1-9 and 11-13 are allowed.

Drawings

It is noted that no Patent Drawing Review (Form PTO-948) was received with the outstanding Office Action. Thus, Applicant must assume that the drawings are acceptable as filed.

Claims

By this amendment, Applicant has canceled claim 14. Claims 1-9 and 11-13 are allowed.

Since only allowed claims 1-9 and 11-13 remain in this application, no detailed discussion of the cited prior art reference is believed to be necessary.

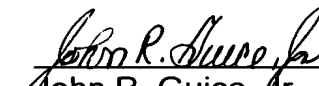
Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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